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# Augusta, Georgia is helping residents brave the cold

**AUGUSTA, GA (December 21, 2022)** – In anticipation of inclement weather this weekend, Augusta, Georgia is offering winter-weather information to help residents and businesses brave the cold.

## Warming centers

Below is a list of local agencies who offer daytime and overnight warming shelters to the community.

- Augusta Rescue Mission: 526 Walker Street
- Garden City Rescue Mission: 828 Fenwick Street
- Salvation Army Center of Hope: 1384 Greene Street

Residents in need of shelter should call 706-826-7933, and transportation at no cost to these locations can be scheduled by calling Augusta Transit at 706-821-1719 before 8pm.

### Sprinkler systems

Residents and businesses should be mindful of using outdoor running water systems, such as sprinkler systems on timers, from the evening of Friday, December 23, 2022, through Sunday, December 25, 2022. During this cold snap, running water overnight might freeze, creating a slipping hazard on walkways and traction issues on roadways.

## Winter safety tips

With the drop in temperatures, residents are also encouraged to bring pets indoors, dress in warm clothing, protect sensitive plants, protect piping, and check on elderly neighbors and family.

Lastly, the Augusta Fire Department is reminding the public to be mindful of seasonal fire hazards, including the increased use of candles and holiday decorations and placing mobile heating units too close to flammable items. All of these situations can contribute to dangerous fire events.

Media interested in covering this topic should contact Public Information Manager Danielle Harris at 706-312-5511.

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